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Dear Private Commercial Bus Owner:

This letter provides you with information related to your responsibilities pursuant to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's (Department) Diesel Retrofit Rules, New Jersey Administrative Code 7:27-32. The **September 1, 2010** deadline to submit an initial inventory/cost estimate for retrofitting private regulated commercial buses with Best Available Retrofit Technology (BART) has passed. If you own or lease a commercial bus that is regulated under the Diesel Retrofit Law, you must submit an initial inventory/cost estimate to retrofit the bus to meet the emission reductions established in the Diesel Retrofit Rules.

"Regulated commercial bus" means a diesel bus, as defined at N.J.S.A. 39:8-60, that is for hire and is registered and operating in New Jersey and has a gross vehicle weight rating in excess of 14,000 pounds. School buses are not included. If you have not submitted an inventory/cost estimate please visit our website at www.stopthesoot.org to obtain a guidance document and other necessary information to begin the process and avoid enforcement action. The guidance document can be viewed directly at https://www.stopthesoot.org/docs/Commercial%20Bus%20Guidance.pdf

The Diesel Retrofit Program maintains an electronic listserv messaging system to provide program updates to owners of regulated private commercial buses. If you would like to be included, please e-mail DieselRetrofitPrgm@dep.state.nj.us and include the phrase "Commercial Bus Listserve" in the subject line.

Thank you for your cooperation as New Jersey continues to develop the nation's most comprehensive diesel retrofit program. You may view other program information by visiting our website at www.StopTheSoot.org.

If you have any questions, please call the Diesel Risk Reduction Program at (609) 292-7953.

Sincerely,

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